

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Bruce Tutvedt, on February 12, 2015 at 8:00 AM, in Room 405 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Bruce Tutvedt, Chair (R)
Sen. Fred Thomas, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Duane Ankney (R)
Sen. Dick Barrett (D)
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)
Sen. Jill Cohenour (D)
Sen. Brian Hoven (R)
Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D)
Sen. Sue Malek (D)
Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Janna Taylor (R)
Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch
Julie Ward, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 217, 2/9/2015

Executive Action: SB 190, SB 171

HEARING ON HB 217

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:39 Rep. Tom Richmond (R), HD 56, opened the hearing on HB 217, Exempt certain amateur radio equipment from property tax.

00:02:00 Sen. Thomas left the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:07:29 Matt Elsaesser, representing himself

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:08:17 Sen. Barrett
 00:08:48 Rep. Richmond
 00:09:13 Sen. Barrett
 00:09:19 Rep. Richmond
 00:09:41 Sen. Barrett
 00:09:59 Rep. Richmond
 00:11:07 Sen. Barrett
 00:11:29 Sen. Brown
 00:12:00 Mr. Elsaesser
 00:12:20 Sen. Brown
 00:13:10 Mr. Elsaesser
 00:13:44 Sen. Barrett

Closing by Sponsor:

00:14:11 Rep. Richmond

Committee Business:

00:17:17 Chairman Tutvedt
[EXHIBIT\(tas32a01\)](#)

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 190

00:19:50 **Motion:** Sen. Di. Barrett moved that **SB 190 DO PASS.**

00:19:50 **Motion:** Sen. Di. Barrett moved that **SB 190 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(tas32a02\)](#)

Discussion:

00:20:38 Sen. Barrett
 00:22:35 Sen. Cohenour
 00:23:05 Sen. Barrett
 00:23:28 Sen. Cohenour
 00:23:41 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
 00:24:09 Sen. Kaufmann
 00:25:08 Mr. Coles, LSD

EXHIBIT(tas32a03)

00:25:38 **Motion:** Sen. Cohenour moved to **AMEND AMENDMENT SB019002.AJC CONCEPTUALLY.**

Discussion:

00:26:17 Chairman Tutvedt
 00:27:12 Sen. Brown
 00:27:23 Mr. Coles
 00:28:07 Sen. Barrett
 00:28:15 Mr. Coles
 00:28:23 Sen. Malek
 00:28:46 Sen. Barrett
 00:31:16 Sen. Ankney
 00:31:53 Sen. Barrett
 00:33:04 Sen. Hoven
 00:33:19 Sen. Barrett
 00:33:38 Sen. Hoven
 00:33:56 Sen. Barrett
 00:34:12 Chairman Tutvedt
 00:35:20 Sen. Barrett
 00:35:48 Chairman Tutvedt
 00:36:32 Sen. Barrett
 00:37:21 Chairman Tutvedt
 00:37:32 Sen. Pomnichowski
 00:38:20 Sen. Barrett
 00:39:35 Sen. Pomnichowski
 00:40:25 Mr. Coles
 00:41:34 Sen. Barrett
 00:42:26 Sen. Hoven
 00:42:58 Sen. Barrett
 00:43:23 Chairman Tutvedt
 00:43:55 Sen. Barrett
 00:44:47 Sen. Cohenour
 00:46:17 Sen. Malek
 00:46:44 Sen. Barrett
 00:47:45 Chairman Tutvedt
 00:47:58 Sen. Malek
 00:49:12 Sen. Barrett

00:50:18 Chairman Tutvedt
 00:51:06 Sen. Kaufmann
 00:52:02 Sen. Brown
 00:52:37 Sen. Tutvedt.
 00:52:57 Mr. Coles
 00:54:05 Sen. Hoven

00:54:59 **Vote:** Motion on the conceptual amendment carried unanimously by voice vote of those present and voting.

00:55:30 **Vote:** Motion on the amendment as amended carried unanimously by voice vote of those present and voting.

00:54:30 Sen. Thomas entered the hearing.

00:54:55 **Motion** Sen. Tutvedt moved that **SB 190 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:55:53 Sen. Barrett
 00:56:25 Chairman Tutvedt
 00:57:13 Sen. Thomas
 00:58:57 Chairman Tutvedt
 00:59:22 Sen. Thomas
 00:59:50 Chairman Tutvedt
 01:00:02 Sen. Barrett
 01:01:37 Sen. Thomas
 01:02:02 Sen. Barrett
 01:02:31 Sen. Cohenour
 01:02:55 Sen. Hoven
 01:04:19 Sen. Ankney
 01:04:40 Chairman Tutvedt
 01:05:03 Mr. Coles
 01:06:01 Chairman Tutvedt
 01:06:11 Sen. Barrett
 01:06:24 Mr. Coles
 01:06:29 Sen. Cohenour
 01:07:06 Sen. Barrett
 01:08:04 Sen. Malek
 01:08:27 Sen. Thomas

01:09:09 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-1 by roll call vote with Sen. Thomas voting no. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Taylor were excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 171

01:11:30 **Motion:** Sen. Thomas moved that **SB 171 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:12:02 Chairman Tutvedt
 01:12:26 Sen. Hoven
 01:13:31 Sen. Brown
 01:13:50 Chairman Tutvedt
 01:16:11 Mr. Coles

01:17:33 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. T. Brown moved that **SB 171 BE AMENDED CONCEPTUALLY**. Motion carried 10-0 by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Taylor were excused.

Discussion:

01:17:54 Sen. Barrett
 01:20:21 Chairman Tutvedt
 01:21:00 Sen. Barrett
 01:21:14 Sen. Hoven
 01:21:23 Chairman Tutvedt
 01:21:45 Sen. Thomas
 01:23:04 Sen. Kaufmann

01:23:59 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Thomas moved that **SB 171 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Barrett, Sen. Cohenour, Sen. Kaufmann, Sen. Malek and Sen. Pomnichowski voting no. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Taylor voted by proxy.

Committee Business:

01:25:30 Sen. Hoven
 01:25:47 Chairman Tutvedt
 01:25:56 Sen. Brown
 01:26:15 Chairman Tutvedt
 01:26:53 Sen. Cohenour
 01:27:07 Sen. Barrett
 01:27:31 Chairman Tutvedt
 01:27:43 Sen. Thomas
 01:27:54 Chairman Tutvedt

01:28:20 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Thomas made a motion requesting a committee bill in the form of a joint resolution to amend the joint rules regarding revenue estimating. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of those present and voting.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:33 A.M.

Julie Ward, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tas32aad.pdf](#))